## REMARKS

By this Amendment, claim 3 is amended to delete multiple dependency.

Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS;

- A skin cancer preventive agent containing sericin.
- 2. The skin cancer preventive agent according to claim 1 wherein, the sericin is a hydrolysis product of sericin.
- of claims 1 or 2 wherein, the weight average molecular weight of sericin is from 5,000 to 100,000.